

DID T. R. DIE OF OLD BULLET WOUND?

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John Schank, an anti-third-term fanatic, of New York fired on him. The bullet pierced a roll of manuscript—his speech for the evening—entered his right breast, struck a rib and entered the muscular tissue of the right lung.

"I don't care a rap," Colonel Roosevelt said, refusing to accept medical aid. He continued to the auditorium and spoke one and a half hours, when he was finally forced to stop because of weakness from loss of blood.

Experts were astounded. It has been asserted from time to time by medical experts that it was little short of a miracle that Colonel Roosevelt survived the shooting, since he declined to accept medical attention until several hours after the shooting.

It is considered highly probable that only the remarkable vitality of the man and the fact that he kept himself fit at all times, kept him alive in his battle of nearly seven years to overcome the effects of the bullet wound.

Should he, like Lincoln and Garfield and McKinley, be listed with America's Presidents who have died by the hands of fanatics?

Wound Weakened T. R. Lincoln died a few hours after he was shot at Booth's Theater in Washington; Garfield lived four months after he was shot at the railway station in Washington, and McKinley's death followed soon after he was shot in Buffalo.

Colonel Roosevelt was never as vigorous after the attempt on his life in Milwaukee. Much of his time had been spent under the care of physicians during the past several years. He was more susceptible to illness than he had ever been.

Did Schank's bullet accomplish its end?

HUSH OVER OYSTER BAY AS AIRPLANES DROP FLOWERS ON T. R.'S DESOLATE HOME

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Sagamore Hill looked rather desolate today. The blinds were drawn in some of the windows; a bit of crepe draped in the wind.

The leafless trees about the house and in the estate surrounding it added to the atmosphere of sadness. An occasional automobile drove slowly up to the side door, its motor making a noise that seemed rudely disturbing.

Within all that remained that is mortal of Theodore Roosevelt was lying in an oak casket, of severely plain design. On the top was a silver plate on which was inscribed merely his name, date of birth and date of death.

A squadron of military airplanes wheeled and circled high over the house of mourning, dropping flowers. This unique funeral service occurred several times before the burial.

A few simple preparations were being made for Roosevelt's funeral, with the idea of making it as plain and unostentatious as possible. The services will consist merely of a prayer and the Episcopal ritual—"Ashes to ashes and dust to dust"—without hymns, without a sermon. The service will take up about twenty minutes.

Demanded Public Funeral. There was a growing opinion today that a public funeral held for the former President that the nation-at-large may be able to pay homage to his memory. But there was a growing belief that this village is already mourning to the great American a tribute such as reflects the heart of the nation.

There is a hush over Oyster Bay. Some places of business are closed. There is no stir—the town looks as if it were Sunday.

Roosevelt, the man of action and strife, in whose ears the applause of millions dimmed, lies not in state with a military guard of honor, but like the most humble private citizen, in the sorrowful calm of his own house, with none but own home folk to look upon his face.

Services to Be Simple. The Rev. G. E. Talmage, who will conduct the funeral services tomorrow, indicated today there would be no change in arrangements. Its very simplicity will add to its impressiveness and solemnity. The plan is to have a brief prayer at Sagamore Hill at 12:45 p. m. Then employees of the family will carry the casket out and walk beside the hearse which bears it to Christ Church. This seats but 500 people. A congregational delegation will be there. Admission is to be by card only, and these are being issued only to relatives and close personal friends.

After the brief service, the casket, followed by members of the immediate family, will be taken to Young's Memorial Cemetery, on Oyster Bay Cove, where the former President will be laid in a grave dug at a spot selected by himself. The Episcopal ritual designated for the cemetery will be read there.

Flag at Half Staff. A small flag was hoisted at half staff in front of Sagamore Hill this morning.

Leslie Disbrow, worshipful master of the local Masonic Lodge, of which

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By Briggs



Appeal For Home Charities

The Associated Charities and the Citizens' Relief Association are in urgent need of \$18,000 to continue their family and social service work in the District of Columbia.

These organizations minister to the poor and distressed without distinction of race and creed. They are dependent on voluntary contributions. The widespread prevalence of influenza has added to the always heavy winter demands upon these societies.

Will not our regular contributors give at once without further appeal and others who have never supported this work of home charity, also lend their aid?

Contributions may be sent to either society or to Howard S. Reeside, treasurer, Joint Finance Committee, Social Service House, 923 H street northwest.

MILTON E. AILES,
Chairman, Joint Finance Committee.

Touching Stories of T. R.'s Regime Are Told by Old White House Retainers

The White House today is a sanctuary of memories—memories of the best-loved and most tempestuous President who ever made the historic mansion his home.

In the minds and hearts of the old employees and retainers, Theodore Roosevelt today lives again within the White House walls, just as he did years ago. Today every nook and cranny, every room and ornament bespeak the man. Every turn and angle of the old house recalls some reminiscence, some anecdote, some activity of the inimitable T. R. It was here that he did this and so. It was there that he did this and so. It was here that he did this and so.

SENATE AND HOUSE SEND COMMITTEES TO FUNERAL

The following have been named as committees to attend the Roosevelt funeral tomorrow:

From the Senate—Senators Lodge, Martin, Wadsworth, Calder, Johnson of California, Knox, Kellogg, Poincaré, Curtis, Harding, Saulsbury, Chamberlain, Underwood, Reed, and Simmons.

From the House—Congressmen Kitchin, Shirley, Webb of North Carolina, Flood, Dent, Padgett, Sherwood, Steadman of North Carolina, Estepinal, Steadman, McAndrews, Gallivan, Thomas F. Smith, Mann, Fordney, Gillett, Volstead, Cooper, Kahn, Butler, Mott, Hicks, Cannon, Rodenberg, and Bowers.

U. S. RED CROSS LEAVING ITALY

ROME, Jan. 7.—The American Red Cross is winding up its business in Italy and will transfer its activities to Austria and Germany. It is reported here.

Never in any Presidential administration were there so many visitors at the White House—never so many from so many walks of life. At the White House they recall how the Colonel used to manage to see hundreds of people every day, how he never turned anyone away, how everyone was made to feel he was as welcome to "drop in" at the White House as he would be in any little suburban home.

"He used to have us line them up in the Cabinet room," one man recalled. "And when he came into the room he would take one swift glance at the list. If the man were one he didn't know, the moment the Colonel was ready with an inquiry about some one they both did know. There wasn't a village in the United States so small that Roosevelt didn't know some one there. And he sent everyone away with the warmest kind of a glow, feeling that, after all, they were a pretty important factor in the United States."

How to "Shake" Them. "And what a knack he had of getting rid of people cordially!" another exclaimed. "He could make a man feel happier and more cordially received in five minutes than any other man could in an hour. No one realized until they were well outside the White House what a really short in-

terview they had had with the President."

"And all through the morning he was accumulating luncheon guests. A luncheon with him could grow from an affair of four people to one of thirty within a few hours. He regularly invited such a conglomeration as, for instance, a Catholic priest, a Presbyterian minister, a Jewish rabbi, and a Rough Rider to sit down at the same table. And everyone was the bigger brother for the experience. Worst of it was, he never remembered to let the cook know how many he would draw into luncheon. He might show up with four guests and he might come with twenty. The cook never knew, but she prided herself on being always ready to rise to the emergency. Like everyone else in the household, she believed that anything the Colonel did was right."

And then they tell how every noon there were at least 300 men and women lined up waiting for the privilege of grasping T. R. by the hand, as he went from the offices to the house. They recall how Roosevelt would come down from the White House with her husband just after breakfast, of their good-by at the door as he turned to his executive duties and she returned to her domestic affairs.

But the picture they all love best is the picture of Roosevelt and that "chip of the old block"—that one who was a little boy then—who now lies in a hero's grave on Flinders field.

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Norwegian Minister Bryn: "Please accept my heartfelt sympathy on the occasion of the death of Colonel Roosevelt. The Norwegian people are participating in your irrepressible bereavement, and regret the loss not only to his country but to the whole of mankind."

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Col. E. M. House (sent through Assistant Secretary of State): "Mrs. House shares with me the great sorrow which all Americans feel for the death of your distinguished husband."

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Convicted of bootlegging, Harry Jones was fined \$500 and sentenced to fourteen months in jail by Judge McMahon in Police Court today.

Jones was arrested after he had sold two half-pint flasks of whiskey. Payment was made with marked money. He was arrested and charged with violation of the Sheppard act by selling the whiskey and with violation of the dry-zone law by having whiskey in his possession within five miles of Camp Meigs.

C. A. SULZER UNSEATED AS ALASKAN DELEGATE

Charles A. Sulzer, Democrat, former resident of New Jersey and brother of "Bill" Sulzer, one-time governor of New York, was unseated as Congressional delegate from Alaska by the House this afternoon by a vote of 224 to 64. Sulzer's Republican opponent, James Wickersham, was seated.

Pay of pressmen in the Government Printing Office will be increased to eighty cents an hour, if the bill is passed by Congress which was introduced into the House today by Congressman Maher. The bill was referred to the printing committee.

ROOSEVELT FAMILY GETS CONDOLENCES

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Words of sympathy for Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt and the bereaved Roosevelt family and expressions of sincere grief at the death of Colonel Roosevelt are pouring into the lonely house on Sagamore Hill from all parts of the world.

Four telegraph operators were swamped with the messages. At one time there was a pile of messages nearly two feet high waiting delivery to the Roosevelt house. They are pouring in by the thousands. Among them were the following:

Ex-President Taft: "I am shocked to hear the sad news. My heart goes out to you and yours in this great sorrow. The country can ill afford in this critical period to lose one who has done and could in the decade have done so much for it and humanity. We have lost a great force, the most commanding personality in our public life since Lincoln. I mourn his going as a personal loss. Mrs. Taft and I tender you our sincerest and deepest sympathy."

Queen Mother Alexandra, of Great Britain: "My wife joins me in sincere sympathy in the death of your distinguished husband."

J. G. Cannon: "You have my sympathy in your great bereavement."

Emmett J. Scott, special assistant to the Secretary of War and secretary of Tuskegee Institute: "The 12,000,000 negroes of America learn with sincere regret of the death of your distinguished husband. The nation suffers an irreparable loss in his passing. His intense patriotism, love of justice and practical helpfulness endeared him to the entire country. In your hour of bereavement, I beg to assure you of the deepest sympathy of the negro people and Tuskegee Institute, of which he was an honored trustee. The demise of Colonel Roosevelt is a sorrow which we share in common with his family."

Finis Fells Grieved. It was noted that many of the sympathy notes came from "just plain folks," who had never seen Roosevelt, but felt that they had suffered a personal loss and hastened to express their grief. A number of cables arrived from soldiers in the American expeditionary force in France, who were entering Sagamore Hill when in Long Island camps before going over.

Telegrams came from Spanish-American war veterans, rough riders and the G. A. R.

There was sorrow in the hearts of many people here. "Uncle Teddy is dead! Uncle Teddy is dead!" cried one little girl as she ran down the street with a noisemaker.

Crepe draped pictures of Colonel Roosevelt hung in many windows. Around Sagamore Hill there is profound quiet.

Chief Deefoot's Tribute. Chief Deefoot, St. Johnsville, N. Y.: "Sincere sympathy to you on the death of my friend, Colonel Roosevelt. Bainbridge Colby, United States Shipping Board commissioner, today paid the following tribute to Colonel Roosevelt:

"The death news of the Colonel's death fills me with sorrow. Of late years I have not been able to go along with him in some of the courses he has pursued, but our differences were without rancor. I think, and without any fatal wound, the deep regard in which I have held him from the days of our earliest association."

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Roosevelt Did Not Leave Over \$500,000, His Friends Believe

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., Jan. 7.—Intimate friends of Col. Theodore Roosevelt expressed the belief today that he left an estate that will not exceed \$500,000. Some put the figure even lower.

It was pointed out that while Colonel Roosevelt made much money from his writings he was extremely liberal in his charities and, since the war began, has contributed big sums to war relief organizations.

The family will continue to enjoy the royalties from the Colonel's numerous books.

expression of sympathy in this sad hour, and the deepest condolences of the Italian embassy."

Lindley M. Garrison, former Secretary of War: "Mrs. Garrison and I desire to express our profound sorrow and deep sympathy."

Gov. William D. Stevens of California: "Mrs. Stevens joins me in sincere sympathy in this hour of your great bereavement, and California, the nation, in a tribute to Roosevelt, the patriot."

LONDON, Jan. 7.—"In Theodore Roosevelt the United States has lost one of the most forceful and most magnetic personalities of our time," Senator Marconi, of Italy, declared today.

GOV. ALLEN FAVORS FESS FOR SPEAKER

Gov.-elect Henry J. Allen, of Kansas, one of the Republican leaders of the middle West, tossed a hand grenade into the Republican speakership fight this afternoon by declaring for Representative Simeon D. Fess, of Ohio, chairman of the National Republican Congressional Committee, for Speaker of the next House.

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